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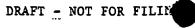
As we discussed earlier today, attached is a brief summary of the data for discussion tomorrow at 1:00 pm (but not for filing in the case). If you have any questions or require anything further before then, please do not hesitate to call me at 312-474-6639.

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Bone Marrow Progenitor Cell Mobilization by Anti-VCAM-1 Antibody

Mobilization of bone marrow progenitor cells by an anti-VCAM-1 antibody was assessed in a non-human primate model. Several parameters were assessed before and after administration of the antibody (6G10). The measured parameters included levels of lymphocytes and total white blood cells in the peripheral blood, granulocyte-macrophage-colony forming units in the peripheral blood, erythroid burst forming units in the peripheral blood, granulocyte-macrophage-colony forming units from bone marrow plugs and erythroid burst forming units from bone marrow plugs. Following sample collection, colony and burst forming units were measured by culturing the samples and assessing colony formation.

The results are demonstrated on the attached graphs. The top graph illustrates results of progenitor cell cultures of bone marrow plugs. The bottom graph illustrates results of progenitor cell cultures of peripheral blood. The lines on the two graphs represent the levels of total white blood cells and lymphocytes in the peripheral blood. The bars indicate the level of progenitor cells that were cultured from bone marrow plugs and peripheral blood. respectively. As demonstrated from the top graph, more progenitor cells were cultured from bone marrow plugs that were extracted following administration of 6G10 than pre-treatment samples. Further, the bottom graph demonstrates a marked increase in the number of progenitor cells in the peripheral blood following treatment with 6G10. This illustrates that administration of 6G10 to an animal mobilizes bone marrow progenitor cells into the peripheral blood.

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